## Summary of Lake Demands and Associated Structures:

Factors Considered for Sizing Permanent Forward Pumps

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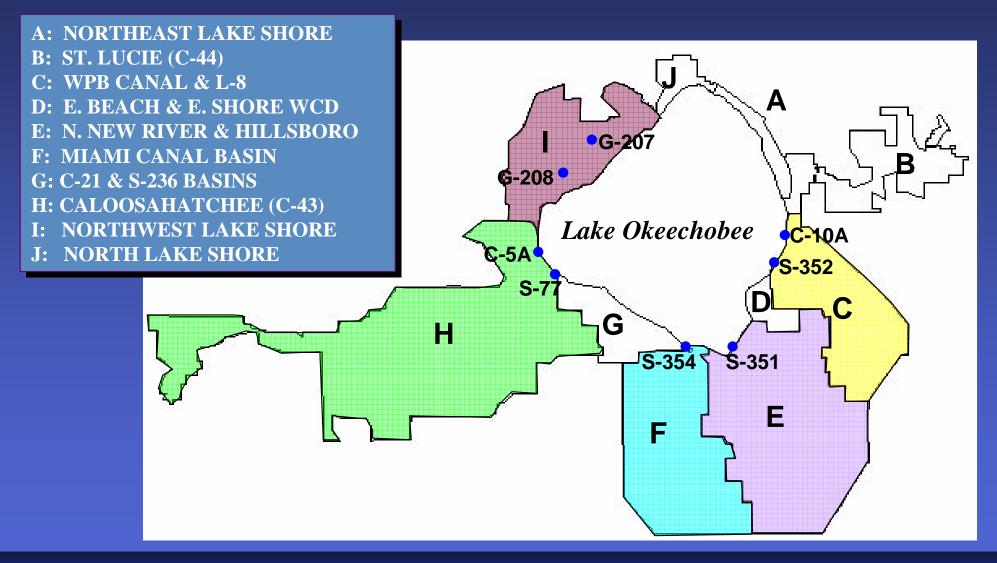


#### Brighton Seminole Reservation Lake Okeechobee NORTHERN PALM BEACH COUNTY SERVICE AREA C-43 BASIN West Palm Beach EVERGLADES AGRICULTURAL AREA SERVICE AREA 1 WCA 1 Big Cypress Seminole WCA 2A Reservation VCA 2B I-75 CANAL WCA 3A LEC SERVICE Ft Lauderdale TAMIAMI CANAL LEC SERVICE AREA 3 WCA 3B Miami **EVERGLADES** NATIONAL PARK Homestead Florida Bay 20 Miles

#### Location of direct and indirect users of Lake Okeechobee



### Lake Okeechobee Service Area (LOSA) Sub-Basin Boundaries



### S-351: Hillsboro/North New River Canal



LOSA Sub-basin: "E'

Acres Irrigated: 230,380

**Forward Pump:** 

Temp. for drought; 600 cfs

**Urban Basin:** 

Service Area 2 (Broward)

Ave. Dry Flow:



### S-352 & C-10A: West Palm Beach Canal; L-8





LOSA Sub-basin: "C"

Acres Irrigated: 131,127

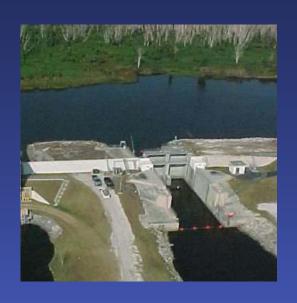
Forward Pump: Temp. for drought; 400 cfs

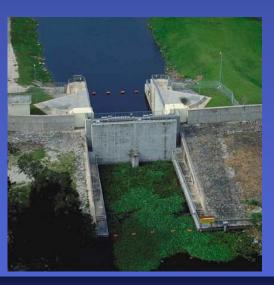
Urban Basin: Service Area 1 (Palm Beach)

Ave. Dry Flow: 340 cfs (S-352) cfs (C-10A)



#### S-354: Miami Canal





LOSA Sub-basin: "F"

Acres Irrigated: 115,751

Forward Pump: Temp. for

drought; 400 cfs

Urban Basin: Service Area 3 (Miami-Dade)

Ave. Dry Flow: 450 cfs



#### S-77 & C-5A: Caloosahatchee Basin





**LOSA Sub-basin:** "H"

151,059 **Acres Irrigated:** 

**Forward Pump:** 

**Urban Basin:** 

Ave. Dry Flow:

NA

**Lee County** 

1,200 cfs (S-77) cfs (C-5A)



#### G-207 & G-208: Indian Prairie Basin



LOSA Sub-basin: "I"

Acres Irrigated: 6,463

Forward Pump:

Temp. for drought; 400 cfs

**Urban Basin:** 

Ave. Dry Flow:

100 cfs

NA



### Factors Considered for Sizing Pumps

- Large sub basins with multiple users versus basins that have existing infrastructure to attain water when Lake is low
- Demands that would occur at lake elevations < 10.2 ft</p>
- Configuration of existing structures
- Feasibility of pump type and location relative to the dike
- Costs versus probability of use



### Phase 1: Feasibility Evaluation

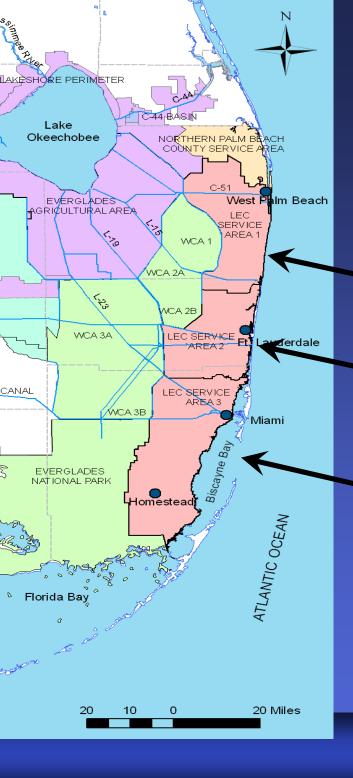
- Identified 8 structures for potential permanent forward pumps
- Estimated target capacities using historical flow data and operations staff knowledge
- Established a preliminary cost target of \$100 million
- Estimated a low Lake stage elevation of 7.5 ft for determination of pump types and capacities



### Calculating Water Demands for Sizing Forward Pumps: Agr.

- Determine supplemental irrigation demands of sub-basin
  - Use regional model to calculate evapotranspiration demand
- Subtract applicable water shortage cutbacks
  - Lake Okeechobee Water Shortage Management Plan
- Consider range of demands when pumps are operating versus costs





135 MGD

210 MGD

**205 MGD** 

#### **Indirect Users** of Lake Okeechobee: Average Dry Season Flows to the LEC Service Areas from the WCAs and/or the Lake\*

\* Million gallons per day; January through May

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#### LEC Urban Deliveries from Lake

Average dry season deliveries

■ Palm Beach 210 cfs

■ Broward 325 cfs

■ Miami-Dade 315 cfs

- Sources of supplemental water supply:
  - Water Conservation Areas; 'regulatory floors'
  - Lake, 'pass through deliveries'
  - Water quality issues



# Simultaneously Meeting LOSA and LEC Urban Areas

- Low potential for simultaneous demands on Lake
  - 1989-1990 Drought: deliveries not made to S. Dade
  - 2000-2001 Drought: deviation granted for WCA1
- Lag time between low groundwater and saltwater intrusion
  - **■** Biscayne MFL:180 days



## Simultaneously Meeting LOSA and LEC Urban Areas (cont.)

- Capacity of the forward pumps will be greater at higher lake stages
- LEC water sources are becoming more diversified through alternative supply development
- Potential for temporary deviation from WCA regulatory floor constraint in emergency conditions
- Cost of additional 850 cfs capacity when history shows little potential for need
- Additional regional water storage projects being developed to reduce competition from the Lake



### Next Steps to Refine Pump Sizes

- Use TSP model results and revised water shortage management plan to calculate flows
- Gather shareholder input on pump locations and capacities
- Evaluate feasibility of flexible pump capacities
- Policy direction from Board regarding costs and risks

